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## Mr. President:

The Transportation and Public Utilities and Technology Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **S.B. 269**, PUBLIC UTILITY EASEMENT AMENDMENTS, by Senator G. Bell, with the following amendments:

- 1. Page 1, Lines 16 through 18:
  - provides that a gas corporation's <u>or electric corporation's</u> failure to possess, occupy, or use a protected utility
  - easement does not diminish or extinguish the gas corporation's <u>or electric</u> <u>corporation's</u> rights under the
  - 18 easement.
- 2. *Page 2, Lines 31 through 33:* 
  - 31 (a) "Protected utility easement" means a recorded easement or right-of-way:
  - 32 (i) for the use and installation of a utility facility; and
  - 33 <u>(ii) the ownership of which a gas corporation</u> or electric corporation acquires and holds by any lawful means.
- 3. Page 3, Lines 60 through 65:
  - 60 (6) A person may not acquire, whether by adverse possession, prescription, acquiescence, or

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- otherwise, any right, title, or interest in a public utility easement or protected utility easement
- 62 that is adverse to or interferes with a public utility's full use of the easement for the purposes
- 63 for which the easement was created.
- 64 (7) A gas corporation's or electric corporation's failure to possess, occupy, or use a protected utility easement
- does not diminish or extinguish any right that the gas corporation or electric corporation has under the easement.

Respectfully,

Stephen H. Urquhart Committee Chair

Voting: 5-0-2

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